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In re Application of:

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BIT-RATE INDEPENDENT OPTICAL RECEIVER AND METHOD THEREOF

Art Unit:

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

For:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, applicant cites, provides copies and briefly discusses the following art references:

U.S. Patent Reference:

	Publication No.	<u>Inventor</u>	Publication Date
✓	5,774,002	Guo et al.	06/30/1998
1	4,361,987	Kloeber (Siemens)	11/30/1982

Foreign Patent Application References:

	Publication No.	<u>Inventor</u>	Publication Date
✓	EP0342010 A2	Uda (NEC)	11/15/1989
✓	EP0342010 A3	Uda (NEC)	11/15/1989

Other Literature:

United Kingdom Patent Office Search Report dated 24 January 2001

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Kloeber (Siemens) '897 and Uda (NEC) '018 European Patent Application for cited by the

British Patent Examiner as indicating technological background and the state of the art.

Guo '002 U.S. Patent reference was cited as disclosing and opto-electric convertor 122 in Fig.

5, in mixer 132 that combines an electronic signal drive from the converter with a delayed version

of the same signal, to provide and output that depends upon the bit-rate of the input signal and which

is used to generate a referenced clock.

This citation of foregoing references is not intended to constitute an assertion that Applicant

has undertaken a thorough search of the prior art. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to

carefully search the relevant arts.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), all of the references cited in a correspondence from

a foreign patent office in a co-pending foreign application within the past three (3) months.

Accordingly, no fee has been incurred.

Respectfully submitted,

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